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SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1921.—PART FOUR.

CENTRE EXPECTED TO WHIP WESTERNERS

Seattle Hockey Team Now Favorites for Big Ice Title

Can Seattle Hold Honors At the Top?

Staying Qualities of Mets Will Be Tested in the Hockey Campaign

VANCOUVER HERE DEC. 28

Millionaires Sign Charley Tobin for Utility—Hughie Lehman Back

THE Mets now are riding upon the top wave of the Coast hockey race, by virtue of their respectable winning streak of four straight victories. Improved team work, closer checking and better results in storming the enemy's citadel have swept the Seattle septet from the cellar to first place.

Will they be able to maintain their laurels?

In answer the Mets are sure they will ward off every assault to dislodge them, while injuries to and actions of their two rivals indicate Vancouver and Victoria are a bit worried. Add to that the prediction of Frank Patrick that Seattle is the club to beat, and things shape up rosily for the men of Muldoon.

Vancouver Signs Tobin

Vancouver yesterday showed it is not satisfied with its present strength, even though with the lineup that won the title last year. The Millionaires signed Charley Tobin, last season with the Mets, figuring, probably, that the veteran's experience and general utility value will bolster their forces.

Then Victoria is at present without one of its main cogs. Capt. Eddie Oatman, out with a spiked ankle, is missed by the Aristocrats, for the fast and aggressive right wing is one of the very best in the business. Take a star like Eddie out of the lineup and the effectiveness of the team is bound to suffer. While the injury to Oatman is not serious, it may prevent the Aristocrat skipper from playing in the next couple of games. Even in that short space of time the Mets may secure a lead which will prove difficult to overcome.

As for Seattle itself, it points to the showing of Gordon Fraser and Archie Briden in Friday's game in Victoria in support of its assertion. Bobby Rowe was out of the game and a recruit, new this year to Coast tactics, was given the defense assignment. But Fraser came through under rough treatment impressively, scored Seattle's initial goal unassisted. Briden topped off the work of the two utility men by plunking in the second Met counter of the same the goal which sufficed to hold the Vics to a tie score in regular time. If the utility men can win for the Mets, with one regular adorning the bench, Skipper Pete Muldoon and Capt. Happy Holmes need worry but little over their team.

Vancouver Here Wednesday

Seattle's lot will be easier this week than last. From three hard games the schedule falls away to only one encounter: Vancouver comes to the Arena Wednesday to challenge the leaders, and results of the last three Millionaire tussles indicate Lloyd Cook will have to give his machine more gas to stay in the race. Monday Victoria will play at Vancouver, a victory giving the Aristocrats a tie with Seattle for lead. Following Wednesday's fray here, the scene will shift to Victoria, where the Aristocrats and Millionaires will mingle Friday.

Vancouver, however, will be strengthened for their three games. Hughie Lehman is scheduled to don the pads and resume his duties at goal in Monday's contest, which will help not a little. Not that Tommy Murray hasn't played good hockey, but there are few Eagle Eyes playing hockey, and the return of a goalie such as Lehman will make the Millionaires the same dangerous aggregation.

Seattle Scorers Advance

Seattle players' stock moved upward in the individual scoring market last week. Frank Frederickson, Victoria center, regained the lead, and now ranks first with seven points. Tommy Dunderdale, who has been displaying a nice brand of hockey thus far, relinquished first place and dropped to second with six points.

Big Jim Riley tops the Mets with five points, the Seattle winesman sharing third place in the records with Mickey Mackay of Vancouver. Jack Walker and Bernie Morris are tied with Jack Adams for the next berth, each with four counters, with Frank Foyston tied with three others in the three-point position.

The goals, assists and penalties of the players in the minutes follow:

	G.	A.	Pen.	Pts.
Frederickson, Victia	3	4	0	7
Dunderdale, Victoria	2	1	0	3
RILEY, SEATTLE	5	0	0	5
Mackay, Vancouver	1	4	10	5
WALKER, SEATTLE	2	1	0	4
MORRIS, SEATTLE	1	3	2	4
Adams, Vancouver	2	1	0	4
FOYSTON, SEATTLE	2	0	10	3
Oatman, Victoria	1	0	3	2
Harris, Vancouver	2	0	6	2
RICKEY, SEATTLE	1	1	2	2
Loughlin, Victoria	1	1	2	2
W. Loughlin, Victia	1	1	17	2
Skinner, Vancouver	1	1	0	2
Halderson, Victoria	1	1	0	2
FRASER, SEATTLE	1	1	0	2
Johnson, Victoria	0	1	2	1
Weeking, Victoria	1	0	10	1
Duncan, Vancouver	0	1	0	1
Taylor, Vancouver	0	1	0	1
BRIDEN, SEATTLE	1	0	4	1
ROWE, SEATTLE	0	0	0	0

How Does Viking's Sound?

Sun Dodgers Lacks Punch

Proposed Name, Typical of the Northland and of Washington Spirit, Is Endorsed by University Coaches and Athletes

Vikings!

How is this for a name for Washington's athletic teams?

The University followers, as well as sport fans up and down the Coast, are tiring of the monocher, "Sun Dodgers," which name was adopted a few seasons ago. Nobody knows what it means, anyway.

When the name "Vikings" was suggested, Darwin Meisnest, graduate manager of athletics, Coach Enoch Bagshaw, Faculty Adviser Leslie J. Ayer and many other members of the faculty put their o. k. on the proposed handle. "Vikings" is typical of north, and Washington is the extreme northern school of the conference. It reminds one of strength, skill and determination. It is short and snappy.

Among those who heartily endorse the name are Earl Jenner, who picked the colors of the Seattle institution, and Prof. Edmond S. Meany. Art Younger, Coach Mathews, members of the athletic teams and others are favoring the proposed monocher.

Let's call 'em Vikings.

Third Major League Sure, Menke Hints

Expert Says Present Outlook Is for Formation of Rival Circuit

By FRANK G. MENKE

Special to the Post-Intelligencer.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17. — Much language gyrates in the ozone along these lines:

"A third big league in baseball is inevitable."

And to support the contention the utterers point to the opposition of the minors to the draft rule and say:

"Those fellows are fighting the draft so they can keep their star youngsters for themselves—and away from the majors. What does that mean?' Nothing more nor less than that in a few years the Class AA minor league teams will have all the brilliant youngsters in the game and the major lineups will be composed of feeble veterans.

"In the olden days the majors raided the minors each year. When they got through they had all the great youngsters, the minors had nothing left but culls. So, of course, they always remained as minors, as far as the standard of play was concerned, and the majors, through drafting, retained their supremacy.

Minors Have Stars

"But the draft rule, in its present form, has changed things radically. Where are the great youngsters of today? In the Class AA minors! And who are in the majors? Veterans and men who will have outlived their usefulness in a few more years.

"What will happen by 1925 if present conditions exist then? Why, the minors will have the greatest youngsters in baseball 'harness and their standard of play will be the real standard in baseball. The majors, failing in that time to replace the veterans with youngsters, will be composed of oldtimers, and the standard of play in the American and National Leagues will be under that of the Class AA minors.

"It's youth, speed and ability that make a ball team—and a league. The minors will have all that by 1925 through development; the majors will have only fading and jaded athletes who are years beyond their prime because they aren't getting any new blood from the minors."

Individuals close to the dominating moguls in the minors insist that the fight against the draft rule was started solely for the purpose of bringing along a time when the Class AA minors would be powerful enough in playing strength to cope with the majors.

To Place League

"When that time comes there'll be a third league," is the declaration. "The Bronx section of New York new, Cleveland, Detroit, Baltimore, Buffalo, Milwaukee, Louisville, and possible Pittsburgh will make up the circuits. Some of the teams are to be transferred in their entirety from either the American Association or International League to the third major outfit; other teams will be recruited from the pick of the remaining teams in the Class AA circuits.

"In rebuttal, when a third major league talk is scored, and the story is repeated of the disastrous Federal League venture, the statement is made:

"The Feds as a third major league and the third major league which is planned to come into existence in two or three years, are two entirely different prospects. Six years ago, when the Federal was formed, time wasn't ripe for a third major outfit. But it'll be different in 1921 and 1925.

"By that time Cleveland, Detroit and Pittsburgh will have populations around or beyond 1,000,000. If they could support one baseball club during the years when their population was only 200,000 up to 500,000, they certainly should be able to support two teams in 1924 or 1925, especially if the schedules were noncompeting.

"The vital reason for the Fed failure was lack of talent. They had a few stars in the circuit, but very few. Most of the players were either undeveloped rookies or major league baseball has-beens. The Feds lacked class and therefore, didn't get support.

Easterners Are Given a Big Sendoff

Washington and Jefferson Grid Squad Leaves for Pasadena Game

WASHINGTON, Pa., Dec. 24.—The Washington and Jefferson football squad, led by Coach Neale and accompanied by President Baker and a party of undergraduates, were given an enthusiastic sendoff when they left here today for Pasadena, Calif., where, on Jan. 2 they will play against the University of California. Every player was in prime condition for the journey and the game, it was asserted, gridiron practice having been carried on to within a few days of departure.

The team will go by way of Kansas City, which they expect to reach tomorrow morning. Remaining until Tuesday they will journey to the Grand Canyon, which they were scheduled to reach Thursday. The day will be spent there and the final leg of the journey will end at Pasadena Friday afternoon. Players who were selected for the trip are McLaughlin, Brenkert, Erickson, Basista, West, Fuliney, Vick, Kennedy, Spillers, Aiken, Captain Stein, Weidenquist, Perkins, Browning, Crook, Snyder, Neal, Vince, Marion and Kopf.

National Guard Teams to Play In Annual Meet

Five Teams Preparing for Cage Tourney Which Starts Jan. 3 at Armory

Five Seattle national guard basketball teams, representing Batteries A, B, C and D, 146th Field Artillery, and Headquarters Company, 161st Infantry, will begin playing on their annual Armory schedule Jan. 3. All five teams are now playing practice games with outside teams to be in top form when they meet one another. The first game will be between Batteries A and B on the 3rd and the second between Batteries C and D on Jan. 4.

Last winter Battery D won the Seattle station championship and the Western Washington national guard cage title as well, and lost the state championship to Battery A, Coast Artillery, of Walla Walla. The latter team also won the P. N. A. honors in a fast series played in Seattle. This season, however, the local Battery A team is a doubtful quantity, as both Rapp and Bennett, the two forwards largely responsible for the showing of the team last winter, have been discharged. Battery C with four former Queen Anne High School players and a strong center man, appears to be in the best shape of any of the local guard teams.

As soon as the schedule here is completed the station champions will meet other guard teams for the championship of Western Washington.

The Seattle Armory schedule is as follows:

Battery A vs. Battery B, Jan. 3; Battery D vs. Battery C, Jan. 4; Headquarters Company vs. Battery D, Jan. 10; Battery A vs. Battery D, Jan. 11; Battery C vs. Battery B, Jan. 17; Battery D vs. Battery B, Jan. 18; Battery C vs. Headquarters Company, Jan. 24; Battery A vs. Headquarters Company, Jan. 31.

Scribe Writes 'Embers'

Leo Lassen, who can write poetry as well as sports, has published a book of poems, written by himself. "Embers" is the name of the booklet, which contains products of his pen composed at different occasions during the past year.

The art decorations are by Stuart Morris, a newspaper artist of this city. Lassen is distributing the book among his friends.

VANCOUVER CLUB'S STRONG FORWARD LINE

Duke Appeals Decision and Is To Fight Case

BILL KENWORTHY has appealed the recent decision of the baseball commission to Judge Landis, it was learned yesterday.

Secretary Farrell wired President Boldt that Kenworthy would not accept the verdict of the minor league body, and that he had appealed to the chief commissioner to set aside the ruling.

The decision against Kenworthy ruled that the Duke's side contract with the club was not binding, and that he still was the property of the Indians.

Kenworthy in a letter announced a few days ago that he was willing to play second base for Seattle. President Boldt does not understand why if this is the case, the Duke should endeavor to secure his release from Judge Landis.

Ray Not Worried Will Turn Boxer

Crack Miler Says He Will Not Desert Athletics if Suspended by A. A. U.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Joie Ray, fleet runner of the Illinois Athletic Club and a member of the 1920 American Olympic team, declared today that he will not desert athletics, even if suspended by the A. A. U., following the filing of charges of excessive expense accounts.

Should Ray be suspended, he stated he will take up professional boxing. He said he had done much amateur boxing, and if forced to turn professional would put himself under the guidance of a real manager and seek to become sparring partner for Jack Dempsey or one of the other champions.

The charges against Ray resulted from his participation in three meets in New York last winter. He was accompanied by his wife and there was contention over her expenses, as the A. A. U. allows an athlete only $7 a day.

Battling Nelson, former lightweight champion, said today that he was interested in the threatened entrance of the professional boxing game by Jole Ray and wants to be his manager, teacher and trainer.

Folwell to Return As Annapolis Coach

ANNAPOLIS, Dec. 24.—The athletic committee of the naval academy has contracted with Bob Folwell to act as head coach of the academy football team for a period covering the two coming seasons.

Star Field Generals to Match Wits

McMillin Will Meet Rival in Slonacker of Arizona at San Diego

By CHARLES W. PADDOCK

World's Champion Sprinter

(Written for International News Service.)

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Dec. 24.—With Fo McMillin, all-American quarterback, and one of the greatest football field generals of all time, pitted against Slonacker, the greatest quarterback of the Southwest, in Monday's game between Centre College and Arizona University, sports fans tonight are asking: Who will win?

Both of these field generals rely on the overhead game to a large extent and both have fast teams to direct. The only difference between the two teams is that Centre has a fast, heavy, and Arizona has a fast, light team. However, there is something in the desert sand and cacti which makes fighters of men and the Arizona lacks in weight they will make up in wariness.

But Centre, conquerors of Harvard, will be a tough foe. Besides the great McMillin, there is Red Roberts, also an all-American man, who personifies all that is expected of an end. Players of this type are certain to put up a good contest.

The stadium field is expected to be fast, as sunny weather is promised. Excitement over the coming struggle has reached a high pitch.

Georges Sends His Greetings

MAIDENHEAD, Eng., Dec. 24.—Georges Carpentier and his manager, Francois Descamps, who are here in preparation for Carpentier's boxing match with the Australian heavyweight, George Cook, in London, Jan. 12, today sent the following Christmas greeting through the Associated Press:

"We send to the American sportsmen our best wishes for Christmas and for the New Year."

He May Be a Sapp But He Can Pitch

DETROIT, Dec. 24.—"Bill" Sapp, semi-professional, has signed a contract to pitch for the Detroit Americans next year, Sapp, who is twenty-six years old, last season had eighty-eight strikeouts in five games.

Business at the county jail is rushing—out the door.

Bears' Rivals Tricky, Claims "Bo" McMillin

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—"Bo" McMillin, when asked about the strength of Washington and Jefferson, stated that it is a team to be feared at all times. McMillin stated that W. and J. is one of the trickiest teams on the Eastern fields, and one that can never be considered lightly.

Varnell Will Be One of Officials At Big Grid Tilt

Spokano Man Named to Help Eckersall in Big Contest

SPOKANE, Dec. 24.—George M. Varnell, sporting editor of the Chronicle, has been chosen as an official for the California-Washington and Jefferson football game at Pasadena Jan. 2, according to information received here today from Coach Andy Smith of California.

Idaho Will Play U.S.C. Grid Men

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 24.—The University of Idaho and not the University of Nebraska will meet the University of Southern California on the gridiron here Nov. 18, 1922, it has been announced by Henry Bruce, graduate manager of the Trojans. Tentative arrangements had been made for a game with the Nebraskans on that date, but it was finally decided it was the duty of the Trojans to give preference to Pacific Coast conference teams in arranging schedules.

WIRE FROM JIMMY

Royal Brougham,
Post-Intelligencer:

Merry Christmas and best wishes to you and fans for New Year.

Will arrive in Seattle Monday, ready to start Seattle's 1922 pennant winning drive.

JAMES J. RICHARDSON.

The world may not be flat, as Wilbur claims, but it is running on a flat wheel.

Demon Jess Is Shut Up Like a Clam

As Soon as Willard Gets a Real Chance He Becomes Suddenly Silent

Special to the Post-Intelligencer.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Ain't it strange-like, the way Jess Willard has stepped right out of the sportive picture ever since the real chance was afforded him to take another Dempsey beating?

For nigh onto two years the big boy from the wilds of Kansas shrieked to the pulsing world:

"Oh, lemme at that there Dempsey again—oh, lemme at him."

It Is to Laugh

"Haw, haw, haw," exclaimed the world, in rebuttal, whereupon Jessican always burst right out with:

"Please, gents, do not give me the raz. That bird of a Dempsey did lick me once, but that was a accident. Yes, gents, a accident. Just lemme get at him now and I'll fix him. Won't somebody match us—ain't there anybody in this here whole world who will lemme get another crack at him?"

For quite a long time there wasn't anybody quite like that—there wasn't a soul of all the billion souls upon this earth who thought enough of Willard's chances to make remarks about rematching the gladiators of Toledo. And all the while Jessica lamented about it, and begged to have somebody step him right onto the Utah Mauler again.

"Oh, if I could only fight him again—oh, oh" wailed Jessica. "I'd give anything in the world, gents, to fight that there Dempsey again."

At this juncture Tex Rickard became soft hearted—or, as some persons put it, quite soft headed. He announced he'd promote another battle between the two heavies. He got a verbal acceptance from Dempsey and then chased the printed contract along to Willard for signature.

But What Does He Do?

Now, in view of the shrill pleadings from the vocalizer of Jess, one assumed that the big Kansan would have shimmied in glee over the opportunity that rapped right on his very door. The big chance—the longed for chance—the prayed for chance—had come.

And what happened?

Ever since that hour the conclusion has been strengthened that Jessica never did want to fight Dempsey again; that Jessica, unhappy over being forgotten by the teeming throngs, wanted to get his name and picture in the paper as a reminder, like a ghost of the past. So he garnered cheap publicity in the form of challenges and defis and things like that.

The contract which Rickard sent to Willard never was returned. Rickard claims he never has heard from Willard since then. But on the heels of the news that Rickard had sent a fighting contract to Willard there a story out of Chicago to the effect that Willard had struck oil on one of his leases.

No authoritative statement about the "striker" ever came from Willard. Nothing ever came in definite fashion from anywhere about that flock of gushers which it is reported began to gush on Willard's properties just at a time when hotship to millions in oil profits could be used as an excuse by Willard for ducking the match.

Is the oil strike story true—or was it just chased around as an alibi for Willard's failure to accept the match with Dempsey?

Centre and Arizona Men Await Game

Henderson Looks at "Praying Colonels" and Says They Have Stuff

PREDICTS AN EASY VICTORY

However, Wild Cats Have Fast Men in Backfield—Both Teams Working

By MARIC KELLY

Special to the Post-Intelligencer.

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Dec. 24.—Gloomy Gus Henderson, coach of the U. S. C. Trojans, arrived in Los Angeles just in time to see Coach Moran send his "Praying Colonels" through a light workout on Bovard Field the other day.

Since U. S. C. was for a long time considered Centre's logical opponent in the San Diego game, Henderson took an unusual interest in the team.

In the first place their speed impressed him and in the second place their respect for their coach, Moran, acted favorably on the gloomy one. Henderson said that he thought the Colonels would defeat Arizona, Monday, by a margin of about four touchdowns.

'Is Just Prophecy

This word of Henderson's is the first definite prophecy that has been made and certainly should carry some weight. Even the most rabid admirers of Western teams had not thought that Arizona would defeat the Centre team and yet they had in general given the Wildcats a big better chance than Henderson did.

The Arizona team is fast, Whittier will vouch for that, but Arizona can hardly expect to be as fast as Centre. The Colonels defeated Harvard through sheer speed and dash and it is the same speed and dash that should win for them on Monday.

Louis Slonaker, Arizona quarter, is a brilliant man in an open field, but even his closest relatives would hesitate before saying they thought him all-American caliber. On the other hand in Bo McMillan and Red Roberts, the Colonels has two of the fastest and most brilliant players in football today.

Centre, as a whole, is fast and well coached. The men know how to follow the ball, run interference and make themselves generally useful as occasion demands. Their speed, whether in running signals, getting down under punts or dashing out after forward passes, impressed Henderson very favorably and this speed is liable to count for much on Monday.

The "Praying Colonels" were put through a stiff workout yesterday morning on the Coronado Polo field. Coach Moran had let his men take things easy while coming West and they were in bad need of just such a practice as he gave them this morning. Dispatches tell us that he lined his team up in two squads and gave them a regular old-fashioned scrimmage for the better part of twenty minutes.

At the end of this time he called a halt to the festivities and sent his men to the showers. Today they ran signals, passed and kicked a bit and generally took things easy. Sunday they will do the same thing, only taking things easier than they did today.

Coach Moran figures his men will be in the finest of shape for the tussle Monday. Both he and Coach Neale of the Washington and Jefferson team believe firmly in the idea of spending as little time as possible in the climate in which the game is to be played.

The Arizona team will arrive in this city Sunday. They spent today in Los Angeles and worked out on Bovard Field in the afternoon. The Centre men are anxious to meet the Wildcats and regret that they will only know them for a day or so, as Centre leaves for Texas the day after the game.

The clay gridiron in the Stadium here is drying out in splendid fashion, despite the fact that rain fell twice today. Those in charge of the Stadium believe that it will be fast and in perfect condition for the big tussle.

Thousands of requests for tickets have come from Los Angeles fans and signs point toward a record crowd being in the grandstands when the game starts on Monday.

Blue Prints of Racing Boats Are Given Out

PEKIN, Ill., Dec. 24.—There are no secrets connected with winning a world championship title, with a speed boat, Leo F. Selby of this city, who holds the world's title in the 121 class, with Margaret III., makes this statement. He is a thorough racing man. For ten years he has been associated. As a director of the Mississippi Valley Power Boat Association, he is enthusiastic in the promotion of class racing.

To promote this interest he has given to the secretary of that association, at Peoria, Ill., blue prints of lines and offsets of his champion boat for distribution to boating men. An earnest could build from them. And no conclusions have been the successes of that boat that St. John B. Hutchins of Louisville, Ky., suggests that the boat be preserved along with the first successful airplane at the Smithsonian, in Washington, D. C.

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